

**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 3-6, 8 and 10-17 have been amended following the translation of the application from German to English. Claims 1-17 remain. No new matter has been added.

Consideration and allowance of claims 1-17 is respectfully requested.

If a telephone interview could assist in the prosecution of this application, please call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Patrick J. O'Shea", written over a horizontal line.

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